

Basinites Give Views On Daylight Saving Time

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Will Oregon ever join the ranks?

With daylight saving time going into effect on Sunday, April 24, at midnight, the \$64 question has again popped up as to whether the state will ever approve any legislation that will make daylight saving a mandatory law.

Time and again, the state has steadily voted down efforts to put daylight saving into effect.

It might be well to point out that about 90 million people in the United States are affected in one way or another by daylight saving time, or nearly one half of the entire population.

Some railroads keep their timetables on standard time, some use daylight saving time or a combination of the two—though federal law requires those in interstate commerce to "operate" on standard time.

Airlines follow much the same practice, since they, too, are required by law to operate on standard time.

A number of persons were quizzed including clerks, businessmen and farmers, as to whether they were in accord with the present standard time in Oregon, or whether they favored the daylight saving medium. About 90 per cent of Oregon farmers, it has been revealed, have bitterly opposed the daylight saving measure.

The following Klamath County farmers had this to say:

Joe Smith of Dorris: "I don't give a continental what the other states do about this daylight savings 'gadget' but I sure am bitterly opposed to it. As they say, 'it's for the birds.' It's all right for the 'playboys' who want an extra hour to meander around, but for us farmers it's a no go. And you can put that in your paper."

B. Stoehler of Henley: "Well, now, you show me where there is any real gain in this so-called saving deal. I want to tell you right now that we farmers don't work by the clock. We work from sunrise to sunset."

George Andrieu of Klamath Falls, who was standing nearby, added:

"I'll go along with brother Stoehler. He hit the nail on the

head. Why there's nothing to gain with that daylight saving business, a fellow doesn't know whether he's going or coming. I don't want any part of it, and if it ever comes to a showdown, I'll vote against it every time. What those 'apple knockers' in California do is their business."

Clyde Horsley of Midland: "Listen, brother, we don't need that daylight saving business. But I'll say one thing, if sure comes in handy for those guys who swing

the golf clubs, if you know what I mean. Sure it would be okay for them, but what would it get us? Now you answer me that if you can."

The above interviews took place in the showrooms of the J. W. Kerns Oregon Ltd. on South Sixth Street.

The opinion of Ben Kerns, assistant manager of the firm, was diametrically opposite to that of some of his customers. Here is what he said:

"I am in favor of daylight saving due to our dealings with California farmers. The present standard time puts us an hour behind on our deliveries. We should have daylight saving time because it would prove more efficient in coordinating our business activities

in California. And besides, most of us these days are sports conscious, and it would give all citizens extra time to enjoy themselves."

Manager Harold Hulse of the Winema Hotel had this to say: "My opinion is that if other states have the daylight saving system, then it would only create confusion for us to remain on standard time."

Another hotel executive, George Blanas, declared that "the whole deal is very confusing, especially to those people from California. The whole time set-up should be a uniform one; it would be better for all of us."

Mail carrier John Edge:

"Personally, it really doesn't make any difference to me what

they do one way or the other. I have to do my 'stunt' each day, irrespective of the time element."

Ken Marzan, a clerk at Bell's Hardware, emphatically declared that he was in favor of daylight saving. "I'm all for it; it would give me an extra hour during the summer months to enjoy myself."

Karime Neubert, receptionist at Ferebee Studios:

"I favor standard time. I can't see any benefit in changing the present system. We all have to go to work anyway, and an hour

won't make much difference."

Leo F. Wallenbarn, terminal manager of the Greyhound Bus:

"The whole business completely fools us up due to the fact that when we quote the time of departure and arrival, the people in California presume their time is the same as ours. If most of the states are operating on daylight saving, we should have it, too."

Robert Moore, manager of West Coast Airlines here:

"Our schedules are well posted and inform the customer at what time (daylight or standard) his plane will reach his particular destination."

A. G. Kusler, freight and passenger agent, Southern Pacific:

"And that's where the matter rests!"

Fund Boost Given Okay By House

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House has voted to boost health and education funds by 197½ million dollars, in spite of the protests of Arthur S. Flemming, secretary of health, education and welfare.

The House Appropriations Committee had recommended the increase, saying that President Eisenhower's request in those fields was "a retrenchment, a step backward." The 360-10 House vote Tuesday sent the bill to the Senate.

Flemming had told a Senate subcommittee he was "convinced that the appropriations recommended for our department in the 1961 budget are a fair proportion of the total recommended for the federal government."

Eisenhower had requested \$3,421,643,981 for HEW. The House bill provides \$3,619,044,531.

The total appropriation in the bill is \$4,184,022,731, which includes money for the Labor Department, National Mediation Board, Mediation and Conciliation Service, and the Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin. The Labor Department was cut \$13,241,700 below the President's request.

Most of the added money for HEW would go for aid to school districts overcrowded because of federal installations, for hospital construction, for the National Institutes of Health and for water pollution control. The bill applies to the fiscal year starting July 1.

Lad Inherits \$50,000

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — An elderly woman left \$50,000 to a 17-year-old neighbor and \$20,000 to care for her birds and dogs, probate papers disclosed Tuesday.

Zella E. Andrews, who died a year ago, left an estate of \$127,000. The \$50,000 was left in trust to William Thompson, who did yard work and errands for Mrs. Andrews.

The youth will receive the bulk of the bequest on his 30th birthday but already has been given \$500 with which to buy a car. The boy's father, Dayland C. Thompson, works in an aluminum plant.

A trust fund was set up to care for 50 birds and dogs still at Mrs. Andrews' home. Mrs. Jordis Cooley was willed \$3,000 and the home, provided she lives in it for 10 years, and cares for the pets.

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